

## 12<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE PARKING WORKGROUP

FEBRUARY 4, 2003

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

ANIMALS CAFÉ

### DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY

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Notes taken by Randy Wiger

#### ACTION ITEMS

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For the next meeting:

- City staff will:
  1. Revise the load zone letter and send it to 12<sup>th</sup> Ave workgroup for review.
  2. Send out load zone letter to businesses with load zones, and include copy of *Guide to Parking* with them.
- Citizens have divided the task of petitioning for angled parking – petitions are for both angled parking and angled parking with 2-hour restrictions.
- Meghan will create a petition to install time-restrictions for the currently unrestricted portions of 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue.
- The First Hill web page on SDOT Parking Management will be updated.

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##### Angled Parking opportunities

After a recap of previous meeting's action items, folders of requested information were presented including an Angled Parking and Load Zone map and data spreadsheet. The group discussed the pros and cons of angled parking and strategies for approaching property-owners for their signatures. Citizens then geographically divided the task of petitioning for angled parking – petitions are for both angled parking and angled parking with 2-hour restrictions. The petitions would also convert 4-hour restrictions to 2-hour.

##### Load Zone opportunities

Previously, the observation had been made that there are opportunities to remove or consolidate some load zones. The group's load-zone strategy is that the City will send out a letter on behalf of the 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue group and then the members of the workgroup will follow-up on the phone and in person. The next step is that City staff will revise the load zone letter and send it to 12<sup>th</sup>

Ave workgroup for review, then send it out to businesses with load zones, and include a copy of *The Citizen's Guide to Parking*.

### **RPZ Issues**

As a follow-up to a previous question, Meghan presented a chart of RPZ permit issuance in Zones 2 and 7 since 1994. While Zone 2 permits have been issued at a steady rate, there was an increase in the number of Zone 7 permits issued in 1999-2001. This is probably due to an expansion of the zone that occurred at that time. City staff will continue to analyze. The workgroup discussed how there might be more of an impact in the evenings due to night classes at Seattle University. They asked if the RPZ hours could be extended later into the evening. The solution to this problem would be to study and create a new nighttime RPZ. The neighborhood can request this study and be placed on the waiting list. Participants asked if, in the meantime, enforcement could be increased to curtail the abuse.

### **CITY OF SEATTLE 2003 METER INSTALLATION PROJECT UPDATE**

Meghan passed on information that the City will not install the 1,600 parking meters as previously proposed but will install the 300 meters it currently has in stock.

### **Additional Parking Issues**

Announcement of upcoming First Hill Parking Kick-off meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup>. The 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue group is welcome to participate in the larger First Hill workgroup.

### **Meeting Adjourned**